

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A ribbed towel device for massaging and/or drying hard-to-reach areas of the body during or after bathing includes:

- (a) an elongate body of an absorbent material, the elongate body having opposite lateral ends;
- (b) a handle at each opposite lateral end of the elongate body;
- (c) a plurality of spaced-apart, rod-shaped pockets in the elongate body;
- (d) a plurality of massage bars, each one being inserted in one of the pockets; and preferably
- (e) end seams extending transversely across opposite ends of the elongate body; and
- (f) a channel at each of the opposite ends of the elongate body, each channel being formed by the end seams; wherein each handle extends through one of the channels..

BRIEF LIST OF REFERENCE NUMBERS  
USED IN THE DRAWINGS

- 10     ribbed towel device
- 11     elongate body
- 12     end seams
- 13     handles
- 14     end channels
- 15     user's back
- 16     substantially parallel seams
- 17     pockets
- 18     massage bars
- 20     second embodiment of towel device
- 21     first component
- 22     second component
- 30     third embodiment of towel device
- 31     plugs
- 40     fourth embodiment of towel device
- 50     fifth embodiment of towel device
- 51     first embodiment of bar-shaped handles
- 52     lock and loop patches
- 53     end bars with bulbous ends
- 54     second embodiment of bar-shaped handles
- 50     sixth embodiment of towel device